



## Match Report

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Opponent: James Madison University

Date: 8 Apr 06

Match: Navy 15 JMU 0

Navy opened the 2006 Cherry Blossom Tournament in wet and cold conditions against James Madison University on The Mall in Washington, D.C. The Gold Shirted Midshipmen were quick to seize the initiative against



the boys from JMU in all black. Despite steady movement by the Navy forwards, the JMU defense always stiffened the 22 and forced Navy back. JMU, while not able to dictate play with their pack, made good use of kicking and forced Navy to claim the same ground many times. The short 20 minute half looked to end scoreless until second class wing Adam Young put in a penalty kick on the stroke of halftime for a Navy 3 JMU 0 score.

The Gold Shirts emerged from the break and never took their foot off the gas in the second half. The majority of play was within JMU's 22 and

almost none past their 10 meter line at midfield. Navy's first try came from second class flanker Jack Damon when he dove under the posts after Navy had multiple phases on the JMU goal line, no conversion (Navy 8 JMU 0).

Navy continued to pressure the boys in black with pounding runs from senior captain prop Ian Uder and quick blasts from third class flanker Michael Stanley. The final score of the match was quintessential to Navy's control on the day. With a scrum 5 meters from try, the Navy pack steadily pushed their JMU opposites into try and third class 8 man Kevin Mott simply touched the ball down, Young conversion (Navy 15 JMU 0).



The final whistle was soon to follow and Navy had earned a steady start to their tournament.

**Scoring Stats:**Trys

Damon

Mott

Penalties

Young

Conversions made

Young

Conversions missed

Young

Cards

None

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